The Honorable Julius Genachowski Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 Twelfth Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

WT Docket No. 12-301

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Dear Chairman Genachowski:

We write regarding the proposed T-Mobile/ MetroPCS merger that the Federal Communications Commission is currently reviewing.

We are hopeful that the T-Mobile/MetroPCS combination will lead to growth and opportunity, as wireless has become a vital means of communications for voice and Internet access. But we are concerned that this merger could mean job loss for T-Mobile workers.

T-Mobile is a major employer in Wichita KS. T-Mobile employs 350 workers in a major call center here.

We have learned that MetroPCS outsources all its call centers, some located overseas. T-Mobile recently closed seven U.S. call centers and displaced 3,300 employees, while contracting with offshore call centers to perform similar work. T-Mobile and MetroPCS have announced billions of dollars in merger savings, which usually means job cuts.

Therefore, we urge you to make sure that the proposed T-Mobile/MetroPCS merger does not result in employee lay-offs but rather provides opportunity for growth for the workers of T-Mobile.

Sincerely,

David Hansen

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